TO: Members, Indiana Professional Standards Board

FROM: Marie Theobald, Executive Director

DATE: November 28, 2001

SUBJECT: Agency Report

Planning, Evaluation and Technology (PET)

PET has focused upon the support of the IPSB automated licensing system as its primary project. This has involved:

- 1. identifying bugs
- 2. processing applications that would not properly move through the automated system
- 3. documenting the usage process of the automated licensing system,
- 4. creating a systems analysis and additional preparation of an RFP for a new web-enabled, Oracle-based automated licensing and decision support system

Title II

Title II sponsored three grant-writing clinics in Indianapolis, South Bend and Evansville. The clinics were free and open to the public. Additionally, the Title II codirectors performed a series of visitations and budget reviews of the statewide Title II grant recipient programs.

Executive Management

Legal - The Legal Division has continued to further the promulgation of rules and to work with the Department of Education to initiate and complete the revocation/ suspension of teacher licenses. The Licensing Fee Rule has been approved and should be effective January 1, 2002. Continuous effort is going toward the various rules not yet completely promulgated including: Transition to Teaching, Teacher Induction, and Teacher Preparation. All rules should be effective by July 1, 2002.

Communications – 10,000 copies of a new IPSB brochure were produced; the website redesign is in process.

Assessment

1. The panel to establish the qualifying score for the School Leaders Licensure Assessment was conducted on October 17th and 18th

- 2. The federal Title II report was submitted on time on October 9th
- 3. The Backmapping recruitment for the pilot project was begun in October over 300 applications were received. Sharon Schultz will assist with workshops and the development of educational materials.
- 4. Portfolio pilot clusters are being established in three areas (special education, elementary education and social studies). Second year assessments (math, English/language arts, science) are being completed.
 - a. The second Mentor Faculty Training Academy II session will be held the first of December 33 educators are enrolled in this academy.

Licensing

2001 Limited License report

Preservice

NCATE/IPSB continuing accreditation visits completed for:

Bethel College Sept. 29-Oct. 3
Tri-State University Oct. 20-24
University of Southern Indiana Oct. 27-31
Purdue University – Calumet Nov. 10-14

1. Institutional Session held on Sept. 28th - feedback was collected from institutions to help with the drafting of the Transition-to-Teaching rules.